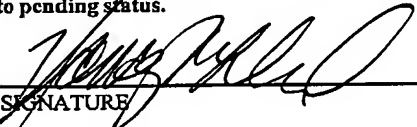


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/GB2003/002702	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 20 June 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 21 June 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DRYING		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US SVONJA, George		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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Specification, Claims, and Abstract (17 pages)
Informal Drawings (2 sheets)
Preliminary Amendment (7 pages)
Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages)
Information Disclosure Statement (PTO/SB/08a) (1 page)
Transmittal of Information Disclosure Statement (P10A/REV04) (2 pages)
International Search Report (2 pages)
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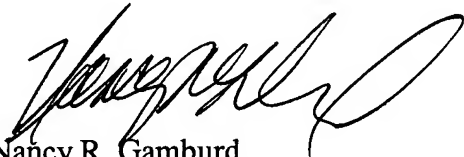
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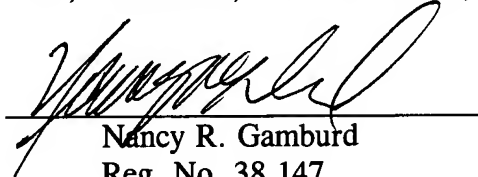
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